UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

MICHAEL A. STARCHER, et al. : CASE NO. 15-CV-01741

Plaintiffs,

vs. : ORDER AND OPINION

STATE FARM INSURANCE COMPANIES, et al.,

:

Defendants.

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JAMES S. GWIN, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE:

On July 23, 2015, Plaintiffs Michael Starcher et al. filed a complaint in the Court of Common Pleas, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, against Defendants State Farm Insurance Companies and UAW Retiree Medical Benefit Trust. 1/2 On August 28, 2015, Defendants filed a Notice of Removal under diversity jurisdiction. 2/2 On September 4, 2015, Plaintiffs filed a Motion to Remand to state court. 3/2 On September 25, 2015, this Court denied Plaintiffs' motion to remand. 4/2

On September 1, 2015, the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas made a nunc pro tunc entry dismissing Defendant UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust. That order indicated that Plaintiffs had filed a notice of dismissal as to Defendant UAW.

In their answer, Defendant State Farm points out that Plaintiffs named both "State Farm

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Insurance Companies" and "State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Companies" as Defendants.

Defendants indicate that "State Farm Insurance Companies" does not exist as a legal entity.⁵

For the reasons discussed above, the Court **ORDERS** Plaintiffs to file motion to dismiss

UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust as a defendant. The Court also orders Plaintiffs to file a motion

to dismiss erroneously named Defendant "State Farm Insurance Companies" and to instate "State

Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Companies" as the correctly named Defendant.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: December 9, 2015

James S. Gwin

JAMES S. GWIN

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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